

ACADEMIC SENATE  
of  
CALIFORNIA POLYTECHNIC STATE UNIVERSITY, SAN LUIS OBISPO

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RESOLUTION ON ACADEMIC PROMOTIONS (CAM 342.2)

Background: On May 17, 1982 the Academic Senate received a memo from Hazel Jones, then Vice President for Academic Affairs, requesting that the Academic Senate consider revising CAM 342.2 to include a mechanism for jump promotions. This consideration was also endorsed by the Academic Deans' Council.

342.2 Academic Promotions

A. Eligibility

1. Persons occupying academic rank positions but assigned full-time to noninstructional duties will be considered for promotion by the administration; persons assigned to both teaching and instructional-administrative duties will be considered for promotion in both areas.
2. Normally, promotions of academic employees may be made only after the completion of at least one full academic year of service in the fifth salary step of the rank. In case of overlapping steps in salary ranges between academic ranks, an individual will receive at the time of promotion a one-step increase in salary. Individuals are not eligible for promotion in academic rank solely by virtue of added administrative responsibility. Merit salary increases are increases within a salary range and are not considered to be promotions. Exception to this promotion policy may be authorized only by the University President or a designee.
3. An academic employee must have tenure or be simultaneously awarded tenure before promotion to the Associate Professor or Professor ranks can be approved. The granting of tenure does not guarantee future promotion.
4. Possession of the doctorate or other terminal degree from an accredited institution is a usual prerequisite for promotion beyond the rank of Assistant Professor. Exceptions may be made in those instances where the faculty member has received recognition for outstanding professional accomplishment in the academic community and possesses special qualifications according to approved criteria established for personnel actions by each department school, or other organizational unit.

5. The Dean of each School shall notify all faculty who are eligible for promotion consideration by the last day of instruction in September of the academic year in which they are eligible, or as soon thereafter as possible. Only those technically eligible faculty members who submit a written request to the School Dean for promotion consideration by a date specified by the School's statement of personnel action procedures shall be evaluated for promotion.

To assist each faculty member in preparing his/her resume, the Dean of each School shall forward a copy of the policy statement requiring an updated resume (CAM 342.2.A.6) and a copy of the Faculty Resume Worksheet appearing in CAM Appendix XII at the time of notification of eligibility for promotion consideration.

6. Each faculty member requesting promotion consideration shall update his/her personnel file and submit a resume which indicates evidence of promotability. This resume shall include all categories pertinent to promotion consideration: teaching activities and performance, professional growth and achievement, service to the University and community, and any other activities or interests which indicate professional commitment, service, or contribution to the discipline, department, University, or community.
7. In exceptional cases, a faculty member who is not technically eligible (by virtue of not having served one full academic year at the fifth step of the then held rank) is recognized both on and off campus (i.e., by state or national professional societies) as outstanding in all areas of evaluation according to approved criteria established by each department, school or other professional unit, may be considered for promotion. In such instances, a department's faculty and department head may initiate a request for early promotion review and make a recommendation to the Dean that will then become a part of the regular promotion cycle in that academic year.
8. The number of promotions within the University shall not exceed existing budget appropriations available for such promotions.